

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the following:

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Q' A digital signal comprises data blocks. Each data block includes a header containing data relating to the block and a plurality of slots. Each slot has a slot header relating to the slot and a data packet. A plurality of data packets contains at least a first part and subsequent parts of the digital signal. A first slot includes the first part of the digital signal and a reference time defining a time of production of the first part. Each subsequent slot contains a subsequent part of the digital signal and timing information defining a time of production of the subsequent part relative to the reference time.

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